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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED BY DANISH FONMIN K.B.
ANDERSEN ON BEHALF OF NINE FONMINS THIS EVENING.

FOLLOWING A SERIES OF MEETINGS, LAST IN
COPENHAGEN ON JULY 23, THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF
THE NINE EC COUNTRIES HAVE DEVOTED THEIR ATTENTION
TO THE FIRST AND SECOND POINTS OF THEIR AGENDA:
EUROPEAN IDENTITY AND THE DIALOGUE WITH THE UNITED
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STATES. THEY HAVE CONSIDERED A NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS

SUBMITTED TO THEM BY THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF A EUROPEAN IDENTITY. THE NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS AGREED THAT THIS IDENTITY SHOULD BASE ITSELF ON THE THREE FOLLOWING ORIENTATIONS:

- 1) THE COHESION OF THE COMMUNITY;
- 2) THE POSITION AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE NINE VIS-A-VIS THE REST OF THE WORLD;
- 3) THE DYNAMIC CHARACTER OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF EUROPE.

THE WORK TO DEFINE A EUROPEAN IDENTITY IN A BROADER CONTEXT WILL NATURALLY BE PURSUED, BUT THE WORK DONE SO FAR HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE A USEFUL CONTRIBUTION, WHICH COULD ALSO SERVE AS A BASIS FOR A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE UNITED STATES.

THE FOREIGN MINISTERS HAVE - WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EUROPEAN POLITICAL CO-OPERATION - CONTINUED THE DELIBERATIONS ON "RELATIONS BETWEEN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES".

THEY HAVE FURTHER DISCUSSED SUBJECTS THAT COULD USEFULLY IN THE SHORT TERM BE TAKEN UP IN THIS CONTEXT. AS FAR AS COMMUNITY MATTERS ARE CONCERNED, THE PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION WAS CONSULTED.

THE NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS HAVE DISCUSSED THESE MATTERS IN THE LIGHT OF A POSSIBLE VISIT TO EUROPE OF PRESIDENT NIXON.

THE DANISH PRESIDENCY WILL ON BEHALF OF THE NINE TRANSMIT TO THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT THE CONCLUSIONS ON WHICH THEY HAVE AGREED.

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